

## Tracking Devices for Vulnerable Populations

GPS trackers for vulnerable populations can be purchased through existing Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program grant funding that has already been made available to 56 states and territories and over 1,100 local jurisdictions across the country. In FY 2013, the Department of Justice awarded almost \$280 million in JAG funding. The JAG Program, administered by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), is the leading source of federal justice funding to state and local jurisdictions and provides critical funding necessary to support a wide variety of program areas. The JAG Program uses a formula based on Uniform Crime Reporting data and population to determine how much money each jurisdiction will receive.

Potential applicants for this funding must work through their State Administering Agency (SAA) and/or local police department to determine if funding is available within existing resources. Both states and local departments make funding decisions on a continual basis, and priorities will be based on the needs of the jurisdiction. The Department of Justice may not mandate the purchase of this equipment.

The links below provide a list of SAAs, as well as a link to the local jurisdictions that were eligible for JAG funding in FY 2013. When new funding for the FY 2014 JAG program becomes available, BJA will post a new list of eligible applicants, so interested parties are encouraged to check the BJA JAG Program web page at [www.bja.gov/ProgramDetails.aspx?Program\\_ID=59](http://www.bja.gov/ProgramDetails.aspx?Program_ID=59) for additional information.

State Administering Agencies: [www.ojp.usdoj.gov/saa/index.htm](http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/saa/index.htm)

FY 2013 list of eligible JAG jurisdictions: [www.bja.gov/ProgramDetails.aspx?Program\\_ID=59](http://www.bja.gov/ProgramDetails.aspx?Program_ID=59)